

## CITY OF CHICOPEE

## Department of Public Work

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Parks and Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 20, 2017

A. Call meeting to order made by Comm Ziemba at 7:01pm

B. Attendance: Commissioners Fenton, Buxton, Bresnahan, Ziemba, City Councilor Gary Labrie, Parks General Foreman Tom Trznadel and Chicopee IT Dept. Technology Projects Manager Bob Liswell.

## C. Old Business:

1. Szot Lighting and security cameras update. Special on-site meeting at Szot Park to review proposed network/lighting/security camera improvements to Szot Park.

a. B. Liswell led a review of park map and proposed location for lighting and cameras

b. Wireless access and timers were discussed as well as the cabling of Maintenance Building which would tie in the Parks Maintenance Building into the city network. This network access had been approved at the Oct. 24th Commission meeting.

c. Other items noted:

i. DPW to buy trenching attachment for Bobcat. Can be used if trenching for wires/cabling and water lines.

ii. Szot lighting and cameras will be included in combined bid with package for additional Chicopee Police security cameras.

iii. Recommendation made to add camera for Ray Ashe also with security lighting needed too. Recent complaints of skateboarders hopping fence and using new pool as skateboard park

iv. Proposal to city council to include cost of 6 months of lighting to cover utility cost for remainder of current fiscal year. Future year Parks & Recreation budget requests would have to include \$11K to cover annual cost of utilities.

d. First visit of park tour was to tank parking lot. Review of lighting locations, direction and strength of lighting were all discussed. No changes to proposed plan.

e. Next, drive through area behind 3<sup>rd</sup> base dugout of 90' diamond where single pole and lighting will be added. No changes to proposed plan.

f. Next stop at basketball court. Upper field pathway lighting and new fence along pathway behind stadium were discussed. Also, the group agreed that 2 lights on poles were needed in area around softball diamond #3. Other upper field lighting noted on proposal map will be added in future.

g. Final stop near pavilion, lights on poles at end of basketball court pointing toward bocce courts, playground area lighting, grove area lighting and volleyball court area were all reviewed. Proposal revised to remove one light in grove parking area due to new street light on Abbey Memorial providing sufficient lighting in and around that area.

h. Commission approved moving forward with proposed plan with modifications as discussed.

- D. Next Meeting: November 30, 2017, 7pm
- E. Motion made to adjourn meeting at 7:58pm made by Comm. Buxton. Second by Comm. Fenton. Approved.

Minutes Submitted by:

Thomas Bresnahan

Commission Secretary

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